

Docket No. -AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 022956-0262 Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit 10/708,308-Conf. #2307 February 24, 2004 Not Yet Assigned N/A David M. Selvitelli, Thomas C. May, Debra Mack, Stuart E. Fromm, and Christopher A. Applicant(s): Invention: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR REPAIRING TISSUE TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment Present Paid Rate **Total Claims** 37 37 Х 0.00 Independent 2 3 Х 0.00 Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 x Large Entity Small Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. x | The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: February 25, 2004 Lisa J. Michaud Attorney Reg. No.: 44,238 **NUTTER MCCLENNEN & FISH LLP** World Trade Center West 155 Seaport Boulevard Boston, Massachusetts 02210-2604 (617) 439-2000 Amendment Transmittal I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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